

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 440

By McKee

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Betsy Wilson, 2005  
Salutatorian of Tellico Plains High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Betsy Wilson is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class at Tellico Plains High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Miss Wilson has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Betsy Wilson has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to distinguishing herself as a stellar scholar, Miss Wilson has served in Student Government as Class Treasurer during both her sophomore and senior years; and

WHEREAS, this exceptional young lady has earned numerous accolades during her high school career, including class awards in algebra, English, chemistry, and geometry, the Science Applications International Corporation Award, the United States Regional Stockholm Junior Water Prize, and the ALSTOM Power Incorporated Award; and

WHEREAS, renowned for her scientific and inquisitive mind, she placed fifth at the Southern Appalachian Science and Engineering Fair and placed second in the "A"lympics

Scholars Bowl during her junior year and attended the National Youth Leadership Conference during her freshman year; and

WHEREAS, a valuable participant in her school's activities and her community's affairs, Miss Wilson is also a member of the Beta Club, Family Career and Community Leaders of America, Talent Search, Planet Club, Astronomy Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Teens for Christ; and

WHEREAS, Betsy has evidenced a strong commitment to public service and good citizenship at an early age by volunteering her time and considerable talents to several worthy charitable and civic causes; and

WHEREAS, possessing the true spirit of the Renaissance, Betsy is an accomplished poet who has been published in the *Anthology of Poetry by Young Americans*; and

WHEREAS, while serving with distinction as an assistant principal's aide at her school, this extremely busy young lady also works at the Cherohala Market; and

WHEREAS, Miss Wilson's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her success in college this fall and throughout life; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Allen and Pam Wilson, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Betsy Wilson's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that Betsy Wilson, 2005 Tellico Plains High School Salutatorian, is hereby honored and commended on her impressive academic achievement. We extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.